



CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

***Below are 6 themes, 5 of which will become our 5 gala themes.**

EH! MATERIAL

A show about Canada as a nation, our national identity, our shifting identity, our reputation vs reality, free trade, borders, indigenous issues, rural vs urban, multiculturalism, our standing in the world, healthcare, distinctiveness ... any jokes that bleed maple syrup belong here.

EVERTHING'S RELATIVE

The Family Show. Tell us about your parents, your kids, siblings, cousins, grandparents, your reunions, your quirky traditions, about growing up, about moving out ... anything related to family, we wanna hear it.

LATE BLOOMERS

A show about personal growth, new awareness, revelations, sobriety, past mistakes corrected, turning over new leaves, weight loss, new habits, new insights, "I used to think this... but now I realize..." If you have material about moving from one stage of your life into another, this is for you. And no, you don't have to be old, 20-somethings!

PUNCHING UP

Gone are the days when jokes punch down at the less advantaged. This is a show that punches up and speaks truth to power – in politics, race relations, gender relations / harassment, economic inequality, etc. Want to take a contrarian point of view? Attack political correctness? Be our guest, but make it smart and make it funny.

GOOD SPORTS

A show about sports and our relationship with them. Any sport, any angle. Are you a viewer? A participant? A hater? If you have jokes on sports we want to hear them.

JUST KILL ME

A show full of complaints – my life sucks! Poor me! My circumstances suck, my friends suck, my other job sucks, my living situations sucks, my roommates suck. Tell us about your most embarrassing moments, your worst decisions, and the terrible hand you've been dealt.

GUIDELINES

- *10 minute sets (edited to 4-7 for TV), TV-clean.*
- *Bits must be NEVER SEEN BEFORE on national Canadian TV (JFL, Halifax, Comedy Now, etc)*
- *A unique angle on the theme is always very welcome.*
- *Pitches can be video links, sets written out word-for-word, or a description in point form or a few paragraphs*
- *The more specific and detailed your pitch, the better your chances*
- *Feel free to pitch yourself for more than one gala.*

PLEASE SUBMIT BY FRIDAY DEC 1, 2017
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